

INQUIRY INTO BENTON'S DEATH CONCLUDED

Necessary Agents Employed by British Consul—Evidence Sent to London.

Torreon Gateway Is Reported Surrounded

Juarez, Mexico. Although desperate fighting was in progress at Gomez Palacio, at the gateway of Torreon, at 11 o'clock last night when the last dispatch came through General Villa felt no confident of victory. He returned to the main base at Bernalillo. This was for the purpose of being able to telegraph directly to Chihuahua, and other points, with reference to the handling of supplies and the movement of his troops.

The rebels are reported to have Torreon closely surrounded and last reports were that the whole army was confident of the early fall of the federal stronghold. The occupation of Lerdo, practically without resistance and the assumed victory at Gomez Palacio, leave only Torreon to be taken, and the first important stage of the revolution will be over. The conquest at Matamoros, Saltillo and Monterrey, is taken for granted, once the main federal force under General Velasco at Torreon is conquered.

In official circles here, although dispatches have come, it was taken for granted that Villa would triumph at Gomez Palacio, which is only three miles from Torreon, before the day was over.

F. D. WILLIAMSON GIVES BARN DANCE

F. D. Williamson, of the local school, gave a very enjoyable last Friday night, when Mr. Williamson entertained his numerous friends at a dance. Over fifteen couples motored from Bassano besides others from the surrounding country. Excellent refreshments were served. Everyone enjoyed themselves to the utmost.

A NEW POOL ROOM

Mr. G. Kroak has opened 'The Central Pool Room' in the Walton Block, and is already receiving a fair share of business. The proprietor promises the public every attention and courtesy.

THE TOWN OF BASSANO

Tenders for Engineer's Residence

Sealed tenders, marked "Tenders for Engineer's Residence" will be received by the undersigned, up to 5 o'clock, P.M. on Monday, April 6th, 1914, for the erection, including all labour, and materials for a residence for the Pump Engineer at the Pumping Station, on the Bow River, plans and specifications of which may be seen at the office of the undersigned.

All tenders must be accompanied by an accepted cheque, amounting to 10% of the tender, which cheque in case of the successful tenderer, will be retained until after the completion of the contract.

The lowest of any tender not necessarily accepted.

Geo. H. Bond, Secretary-Treasurer, Bassano, March 25th, 1914.

This is but another proof of the wide-spread popularity of Bassano and "The Bassano Mail."

Princess Hotel

HOWE & THOMSON

The Bassano Mail, Bassano, Alberta.

Goldsmiths.

Would you kindly oblige the writer by forwarding one issue of your valuable paper of March 12, per Mr. J. H. Bond, special edition. I would also be pleased to get your rates as a subscriber.

Enclosed find stamps for special rates.

I am,

Yours respectfully,

H. B. Stocker

We have received hundreds of letters similar to the above in the past week from all parts of the globe.

A WOMAN'S SCREAMS EFFECTIVE AS FIRE ALARM



A woman's screams have been used for many purposes. The latest application is as a fire alarm. When College Hall, one of the oldest and largest of the Wesleyan College buildings, got afire, the first alarm was given by one of the girls, who awoke to find her room filled with smoke. Her screams aroused the other students and attracted the attention of the watchman, who roused the fire gangs and within a few minutes the fire escape and stairways were swarmed with young women. Later borrowing clothes from occupants of other dormitories, the girls returned to the burning building and succeeded in saving many valuable books from the library on the lower floor before the flames reached it. The hall contained many valuable paintings and works of art, which added greatly to the loss, which is estimated at \$200,000. Although about 300 students and several members of the faculty were asleep on the upper floors of the five-story brick structure when the flames were discovered, all escaped uninjured. The building was totally destroyed.

Board of Trade Extends Sympathy

Resolution of Condolence is Tendered To President John S. Mayor

At the annual meeting of the Board of Trade on Wednesday evening, Mr. C. T. Mitchell made a very feeling reference to the bereavement of President John S. Mayor, whose father died suddenly a short time ago at his home in Fredericton, N. B. Upon motion of Mr. Mitchell, a resolution was adopted and tendered: "That the Executive of the Board on behalf of the Board of Trade, tender its sincere sympathy with the bereaved family of John S. Mayor, in the loss which he has sustained by the death of his father and that a copy of this resolution of condolence be forwarded to the bereaved family."

WHIST PARTY AND DANCE GIVEN BY REBEKAHS

On Monday last the Triple Link Rebekah Lodge, No. 22, I. O. O. F., gave a very enjoyable whist drive and dance. Over fifteen tables were occupied and the game progressed until 11.30, when luncheon was served.

Mrs. T. Frank Davis successfully carried off first ladies, and Mr. Dempsey first gentlemen. After luncheon, dancing was indulged in, this lasting into the wee sma' hours.

will be transmitted to the British foreign office.

According to the British view nothing further can be done in the case at this stage. The report of the Carranza commission appointed to investigate the Benton killing is awaited with much interest, and will be received by the British government as information at least. Nothing further is expected from the American commission, which Secretary Bryan said today was in statu quo as it had been for many weeks past.

No immediate action is expected at the British embassy, as a result of the report, but it was recalled today that Sir Edward Grey in his last statement to the house of commons on the Benton case, made it plain that there must be a heavy reckoning for this killing of a British subject, and that the matter would be the future permanent excuse of Mexico.

BASSANO BOARD OF TRADE

The usual monthly meeting of the Board will be held in the Town Hall on Wednesday 1st, April next, at 8 o'clock p.m.

Robert McLean, Secretary, 25th March 1914.

DEATH OF MR. J. MCCORKINDALE

The death occurred on Saturday evening, the 21st instant, of one of our best known and most respected citizens, John McCorkindale. Although his demise was not unexpected, he had been able to walk about until within a few days of his death. He was well known as a contractor, and three of his sons are members of the contracting firm of McCorkindale Bros. & Janes. The deceased was 68 years of age. Besides a bereaved widow he leaves four sons and three daughters to mourn his loss. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon. Mr. B. T. Gray was the funeral director.

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Redcliff News

March 18—Construction work was begun this week upon the Redcliff Knitting Mills by Dr. Benner. It is to be a two-story brick building, 23 by 116, located in the southern portion of the townsite. It will cost \$20,000, and will give employment to 100 men.

August 1. Louis Roan of Ottawa, commenced construction today of a one-story cigar factory, to cost \$8,000, and employ ten hands.

J. Spalding of Medicine Hat, has begun construction of a large brick warehouse and storage building, a general stock of building material will be carried.

The Redcliff Shoe Manufacturing Company, the only establishment of the kind in Western Canada, commenced operations on Monday morning of this week. It is housed in a modern brick building of two stories, 40 by 160, and represents an outfit of \$80,000. Power is supplied by a Buessmer engine of 75 horse power using natural gas. An auxiliary Buessmer of 10 h.p. operates a dynamo with a capacity of 150 lights. A lighting system is installed. The factory is equipped with the latest shoe making machinery, with a capacity of 250 pairs of men's high grade shoes per day. There is also a glove making department with a capacity of 500 pairs of gloves per day. Seventy-five hands are employed.

Redcliff is waking up. Real estate transfer for the past week numbered forty-three.

"Firewater" and The Indians

John Read of Calgary, was sentenced last week to three months' imprisonment or one hundred dollars and costs, for peddling "boone" to the Indians by J. W. Morden, J. P., and J. W. Hagey, J.P.

The prisoner was taken to Calgary on Saturday by Sgt. Johnson, where he will serve his term.

We understand this man Read is a very bad character.

To Those In The Piano Race

We wish to inform contestants in the J. H. Stiles and Mail Piano contest, that those holding votes secured from this office, would do well to deposit same with J. H. Stiles before first of April next, as we intend changing the color on that date.

We have also decided to increase the votes on subscriptions from the coupon to 10,000. The coupon in our half-page ad will also be increased to 1,000.

E. B. Deatley visited Calgary on Tuesday.

FARMERS SHOULD NOT BUY READY MADE MEATS

Home Curing of Meats Seen To Be A Lost Art—Makes Cost of Living Higher

The curing of meats on the farm has become almost a lost art in many parts of Western Canada. The time was in the Eastern Provinces when the farmer who was known to buy hams, lard or bacon for family use was looked upon as an unsafe man to neighbor with. His was no more highly esteemed by his more thrifty neighbors than was the farmer's wife who was seen buying butter and eggs.

The buying of "ready-made" meats by farmers may be explained in highly developed districts close to the source of supply, but there is no doubt that it is practised in remote settlements far beyond the point where it can be justified from the standpoint of economy or the best interests of the consumer.

An explanation is frequently asked for the wide spread belief in the price paid for live hogs and the retail price of the cured meats. The writer does not profess to be able to give the desired information. The Commission which was appointed by the Alberta Government in 1908 to investigate the pork industry report of "among other things that under conditions existing in Alberta, when \$7.00 per cent. is being paid for live hogs at the packing plant the bacon can be sold wholesale at 11 cents per pound."

The above figures are not given as an indication of the price at which farmers should be able to buy pork at retail; they are given, however, as an estimate of the price at which they can apply their own pork if they take the trouble to do so.

In the remaining margin justify the remaining spread between the price of live hogs and the retail price of pork, the writer is not prepared to say. It seems to him but fair to our urban retailers of meat to state that to compare the present day difference between the wholesale and retail price of meats with that of a quarter of a century ago is unjust. The expenses incident to conducting a retail meat business in a western city today are much greater than those that were attached to the same business in the east twenty-five years ago. Tentacles have more than doubled since then, while the price of labor has increased in about the same proportion. Besides the system of ordering by telephone and delivering by wagon or motor is a development of the past thirty years. The cost of maintaining this system is great, to say nothing of the large percentage of book accounts which result from it. These in turn are followed by more bad debts which have to be "covered" by charging higher prices to those who pay. The system is a source of time and effort on the part of the consumer, and the urban resident who receives the benefit of this saving should pay for it. The farmer, however, who in the nature of things can derive no benefit from it, should not voluntarily become a part of it nor contribute to its support.

The Executive of the Board of Trade held its monthly meeting in the Town Hall on Wednesday evening. All the members of the executive with one exception were present. President J. S. Mayor was in the chair. Secretary H. McLean presented the financial statement in reference to the entertainment to the Chinese section. His report was unanimously adopted and the account ordered to be paid.

The Executive adopted a resolution circulated by the North Saskatchewan Division of Trade, imposing upon the Dominion Government the necessity of encouraging in the future, the immigration of agricultural settlers to Western Canada. It was also decided to ask the Council to refer to the Legislature the case of reason on private business, be strictly enforced.

The Executive also recommended that the Council with a view to obtaining a grant to help defray the Board's expenses for the coming year.

Considerable routine business was disposed of.

Steam Laundry For Bassano

Mr. J. J. Aymard of Calgary, is in town, making arrangements for the erection of a laundry.

The water rate is the only drawback. The town should give good inducements as a steam laundry would be a great benefit to Bassano. There are large quantities of laundry being shipped to Calgary at the present time.

NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF THE COURT OF CONFIRMATION OF THE "TAX ENFORCEMENT RETURN" OF THE TOWN OF BASSANO.

NOTICE is hereby given, that his Honor Judge Carpenter, by appointment dated the 17th day of March, A.D. 1914, has appointed Friday, the 5th day of June, A.D. 1914, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the afternoon, in the Town Hall, in the Town of Bassano, in the Province of Alberta, as the time and place for holding a court of confirmation of the "Tax Enforcement Return" of the Town of Bassano for arrears of taxes due to the aforesaid Town to December 31, A.D. 1913, under the provision of the Town Act, being Chapter 20 (2) Statutes of Alberta, 1911-12.

Dated at Bassano, this 17th day of March, A.D. 1914.

GEORGE B. BOND, Secretary-Treasurer, Town of Bassano.

BURNS & MAJOR, Solicitors for the Town of Bassano.

FARMER'S BUSINESS

VARIETIES OF WHEAT

We quote the following figures of wheat yields from a bulletin just issued by the Superintendent of Experimental Farms, covering a "Summary of Results of Cereals":

Brandon	Indian	Rosam	Scott
Marquis	50	55	54
Red Fife	45	39	48
Huron			53
Blush			45
Prelude		26	16

The comparative yields are not given for Lacombe and Lethbridge, but Red Fife showed a somewhat better result at Lacombe, which, however, the Farm Superintendent states was due to the unusual weather conditions. In the dry parts of Southern Alberta Marquis does not do well.

The number of days taken to mature is only given in the cases of the following varieties:

Marquis	Brandon	Scott	Lacombe
	127	131	142
Red Fife	134	137	156
Huron			137

W. C. BROWN, Superintendent Central Western Branches.

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BASSANO, ALBERTA, THURSDAY, MARCH 20TH, 1914

Support Home Industry

With the spring opening of the local merchants, comes the vexed question of the mail order catalogue. The consumer acting on the advice of the mail order house sends his money out of town and drives another nail in the coffin of local industry. It seems almost incredible but nevertheless true, that a large percentage of mail orders in a town or community appear to be totally lacking any sense of respectability with regard to their duty to the home-merchants.

They repudiate this idea with words, but by their actions demonstrate the essence of its truthfulness. They regard their local stores merely as institutions, solely for their convenience in case of emergency.

When times are hard, work dull and money scarce the far distant mail order house catalogue is not widely searched for credit offers to tide regular customers over the non-producing period. Oh no! The mail order man must have his cash before delivery. It is the home merchant who is asked to "charge it" and wait six months for his money.

It goes without saying that many mail order patrons will argue against this, and there are frequent occasions when even the loyal consumer will be obliged to buy outside the town. It is not this class that retards industrial development and creates general stagnation in business, but the man or woman without any sense of duty or responsibility towards the merchants of his own town, must be held responsible.

The home merchant is the man who contributes most to the upkeep of the schools and other institutions for public good and therefore the one who really deserves support. Patronage in the abundance of business, with its attendant industrial drops and dips. "Heaven's eternal wisdom has decreed that man shall stand in need of man" and so it is in the commercial world. Without mutual support, no church, business concern, profession or trade can long endure.

How frequently we hear the remark "the town is dead." This is not true of Bassano. She is not dead, merely a trifle ill, upset over the mail order drain on resources. She needs a tonic to quicken her business pulses. Pride in our town, awakened public conscience and the greatest virtue with which mankind is endowed

loyalty to home concerns, are the best remedies. The mail order business, with occasional exceptions which prove the rule, is a delusion and a snare.

Comments

The "Gibbsen Call" accuses us of making the "Startling Announcement" that the last rail on the Bassano-Swift Current cut off had been laid at Gibbsen. Our contemporary's imagination is apparently much keener than its perception. We have not been able to discover any such statement in our columns.

NO SYMPATHY.

The man Trege, who paid us a short, but too lengthy visit, on the day the settlers from Colorado arrived, has attempted to explain his conduct in a long letter to the *Calgary News-Telegram*. The people of Bassano will accept his lame apologies for what they are worth—Nothing. The sane inhabitants of this district can never have anything in common with malcontents whose avowed policy is "to strike the C. P. R. above the belt, below the belt or in the belt."

We are afraid there will be some dog taxpayers appearing in court if they don't come through.

The chief topic among the debaters of Bassano at the present time is "Home Rule for Ireland."

The controversy has become so popular that numbers gather in the hotels and on the street. This would give an individual the impression that a suffrage movement was on foot.

Money is loosening up in Bassano. One of our citizens had the good fortune to pick up a dollar bill on Second Avenue last Sunday.

The officers of the National Guard at Albany have been protesting against vaccination for typhoid, on the grounds that it makes it more difficult for them to get recruits. A man will enlist in the army and take his chance of being shot for his country, but there is apparently no glory in dying of vaccination.—Ex.

One Uster is disturbing the British Nation. How many would it take to keep the citizens of Bassano warm during this cold weather.

The "Bassano News" has died for want of sufficient nourishment.

The Bassano

Time Table

GOING WEST
No. 311.....8:57 a.m.
No. 3.....10:41 a.m.
No. 13.....12:25 p.m.
GOING EAST
No. 4.....11:21 a.m.
No. 310 arrive 10:30 dep. 20:00.
No. 14.....1:10 p.m.
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Wednesdays and Saturdays at 7 a.m.



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Any person who is the sole head of a family or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter section of available Dominion land in Alberta, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency, for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency, on certain conditions by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

Duties—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 50 acres solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter section alongside his homestead. Entry \$5.00 per acre.

Justice—Most male upon the homestead or pre-emption six months in each of three years from date of homestead entry including the time required to earn homestead patent and cultivate fifty acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may enter for a purchased home land in certain districts. Price \$5.00 per acre. Duties—Most male six months in each of three years and cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$500.

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Deputy of the Minister of the Interior
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In the District Court of the District of Calgary



In the matter of the estate of Robert Stewart McCosken, late of the Town of Bassano, in the Province of Alberta, Farmer, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims upon the estate of the late Robert Stewart McCosken, who died on the 26th day of October, A.D. 1913, are requested to send to Mrs. Gertrude Dell McCosken, executrix of the estate, to the Province of Alberta, on or before the 26th day of April, A.D. 1914, a full statement of their claims and any securities held by them, duly verified, and that after that date, the said executrix will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been filed with the said Mrs. Gertrude Dell McCosken, the executrix of the said estate.

Filed at Bassano, this 27th day of February, A.D. 1914.
 (Signed) Gertrude Dell McCosken
 Executrix and Attorney
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 Solicitors for the said executrix

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Review of Contest

It is inaugurated by J. H. Stiles, the popular druggist in Bassano, and for the purpose of increasing his business; it was co-operated in by the "Mail," for the sake of publicity and an increase in its circulation.

It is undertaken at considerable expense, but we believe will be worth the while, for we anticipate great interest.

Votes count on all purchases made at J. H. Stiles, to the tune of one vote for every cent spent.

Votes count on all Job Work printed at and purchased from the "Mail" to the extent of one vote for every cent.

Votes count on all cash advertising published in the columns of the "Mail," during the life of the contest.

Votes count on all paid in advance, and renewal subscriptions. These are the plums for each subscription counts 3000 votes; although it only costs one dollar. The intention of this is to give the candidate in the country, who cannot get into town and the drug store very often, an equal chance with her town competitor. A few subscriptions rustled means a big jump ahead.

☞ Come to the "Mail" office and buy your coupon that can be used any time in advertising or job work, and which carries votes when purchased and votes when traded.

YOURS FOR THE ASKING PLUS A LITTLE ENERGY

J. H. Stiles, the druggist has arranged with the Mail to co-operate with him in presenting you with this handsome instrument.

See paragraph of instructions below and find out exactly what you have to do, and if there is any misty point see Stiles and he will explain it.

THIS PIANO IS A MAGNIFICENT UPTON GRAND

Contest Open Mon. Nov. 24



Contest Closes Eve. May 23

Description of Piano

The piano has 7 1/3 octaves, repeating action, three pedals, full iron frame covering wrest plank, and built up pin block of five different layers of hard maple, direction of grain alternating in successive layers to prevent to the greatest possible extent, the Piano getting out of tune.

The three strings in unison with over string bass, splendidly pitched scale and excellent sounding board, produces the rich, deep, even tone peculiar to the Upton Piano, and so much desired for by manufacturers of high-class instruments. The brackets, pedal guards, hammer rail, and continuous hinges are all heavily nickel-plated. The case itself is highly polished, making a first-class artistic instrument in finish, appearance and tone.

By comparison this Piano, will be found better, heavier and more artistic than most pianos on the market today. Each instrument is fully warranted.

Manufacturers' Warrant

The above Piano is warranted to give perfect satisfaction for a period of ten years, provided it is not exposed to extremes of heat, cold, wet or dampness.

Rules of the Game

1. Name of contestant will not be known.
2. Name of contestant will not be published.
3. Every contestant is credited with 2000 votes to start with.
4. Every contestant gets a number.
5. Standing of contestants' number published weekly.
6. All votes must be brought in for recording on Wednesday.
7. Votes must not be written upon.
8. Tie votes in packages with the contestant's number and the amount on top slip only.
9. Color of votes will change and must be recorded weekly.
10. Votes are transferable only before recording.
11. Contestant having the largest amount of votes on May 23, wins the Piano.
12. Contestants not bringing in personal votes will be dropped.

Be Sure and Ask for Your Piano Votes With Every Purchase.

☞ Cut out this coupon and present it at J. H. Stiles' Store, and he will exchange it for one thousand votes in the \$400 Piano Contest.

Contestantants get busy Completion **10,000 Votes for one Subscription**

If you need anything in men's wear, remember **E. R. MUIR'S** the store where you get the big \$\$ worth

Heard on the Street

B. N. McGuire visited Calgary last week.

T. Frank Davis spent a few days of last week in Calgary.

Miss B. T. Currie spent the week-end in Calgary.

The latest and most up-to-date improvements on the Harrows to be seen at our place—Smith & Cooper. 22-4

Mr. Francis Sanderson visited Calgary over Sunday.

Mrs. Leola Kimberling visited Brooks last week.

If it's something new in Men's Toggery, call at Muir's—Furnishers to Men who care.

W. J. Robinson visited Calgary on Tuesday last.

Phone your wants to Hilt-Sand & Cooper. 22-4

McGuire's pool room and bowling alley has recently undergone remodeling and renovating.

Mr. S. McLean spent Sunday in Calgary with friends.

A gang of C.P.R. employees are at present engaged in moving water-pipe from near roundhouse to water-main West of station, to facilitate locomotive tanking water.

A commission of C.P.R. construction engineers applied last week to Bassano Town Council for the right to lay water main at 2nd, 3rd and 4th streets, to add construction on Bassano. Swift Current Cut-off. No definite arrangement has yet been made.

CLOTHES FOR MEN—We are supplying the men of Bassano and district with our made to measure suits. Perfect fit guaranteed, and all goods tailored in the very best manner—The Bassano Trading Co. 22-4

Mrs. A. J. Gerber leaves for Calgary today, where she will be the guest of her sister for a week at the King George Hotel.

Mr. Larkin Flath visited Brooks on Friday last.

Walk into Muir's Store and inspect the new spring line of Walk-over and Regal shoes for men.

Mr. Nelson, Irvine, shipped two carloads of fine cattle to Bassano last week.

We have one of the International Lumber yet at the special price of \$2.00. This is worth looking into. Smith & Cooper. 22-4

Miss R. Harris was the guest of Miss Toots Hennessey over Sunday.

Mr. N. L. McElhinney, manager of the Duck Lake Cattle Co., was in town this week.

Why not have your Spring suit made to measure with the best material, at guarantee price. The Bassano Trading Company. 22-4

According to reports, wolves are more plentiful along the Red Deer, North of Brooks, than previously stated. They are not giving much trouble to cattle herds at present, but they are being persistently hunted.

Mr. E. F. Purcell motored to Brooks on Sunday last.

"HAS RESIGNED"

Mr. L. M. Graham, who has been employed as manager of The Mail, for the past month has resigned. He has no further connection with this paper.

Work on the Bassano to Swift Current cut-off is making rapid progress. There will be 1,500 men employed on the construction and there is every indication of this work being completed by August 1st.

Mrs. Angus McDougall of Anigonah, Nova Scotia, who has been visiting friends in Alberta this winter, is the guest of Mrs. Edward Purcell this week.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

Will all those who have subscribed for The Mail since January 1st, 1914, kindly send in their names and addresses to the Manager, Bassano Mail, Bassano, Alta. We need this information in order to verify our lists and thus ensure subscribers getting their papers promptly.

Arrangements are being made for a big Horse Show next month at Regina, Sask., provided the attendance of a big string of horses can be secured from the East. The city undertakes to guarantee the success of the show to the extent of \$10,000. The new winter fair building is an ideal structure for such a show.

Tax Enforcement Return 1913

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 211 of the Tax Act, being Chapter 2 of the Statute of Alberta, 1913, as amended by Chapter 9, 1913-14, of the Statute of Alberta, 1914, that the Tax Enforcement Return of the Town of Bassano was confirmed in respect of the herein described lands at the Court of Confirmation, held at Calgary, on the 22nd day of May, A.D. 1914, and unless such lands are redeemed on or before the 22nd day of May, A.D. 1914, the same will be absolutely forfeited for non-payment of Taxes.

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On and after	On and after
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Males \$2.00	Females \$5.00
All dogs found without	All dogs found without
tags will be destroyed	tags will be destroyed
Tags at Town Hall	Tags at Town Hall
3rd Ave. E.	3rd Ave. E.
Bassano	Bassano

GRD. R. BOND,
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BIRTHS

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. E. S. McElhinney, Bassano, Sunday, March 22nd, a son.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McLean, Bassano, Saturday, March 21st, a son.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. J. Fulton, Lethbridge, Alberta, Sunday, March 22nd, a daughter.

Miscellaneous

Read this column carefully. There may be something you need in it, and can get at bargain prices.

FOR SALE—One Climax Well-Drilling outfit. Cost \$1,500, price \$800. P.O. Box 10, Lethbridge. \$50 will put it in at once. Address, Box 10, Lethbridge, 27-p

Pigs for Sale
TWENTY YOUNG SOWS, due to farrow in April. Also 2 Boars, 1 Chester White 2 years old and 2 Pure and Chester White 1 year. Some Fall pigs for sale too. P. Robinson, 3, 36 St. W. 2nd, R. 20. P.O. Address, Cowhead, 21

Barley for Sale
A FEW HUNDRED BUSHELS, good, clean barley, 6 royal 'Monarch', yield last year 50 bushels per acre. R. P. Robinson, 3, 36 St. W. 2nd, R. 20. P.O. Address, Cowhead, 21

Help Wanted
Good man around stock would like position near town. Have had years of experience with horses and cattle. E. Wear, General Delivery, Bassano, 11

For Rent or Sale
Six good plastered houses, concrete foundations, good cellars, plenty of good water—for rent or sale on easy terms. Apply to A. M. Bartlett, corner 6th ave. and 10th St. 27

NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will not be responsible for any goods delivered to his employees without written authority.
J. McKissey,
General Contractor.

ALL WATER
delivered by S. A. Hobbins will be strictly cash or tickets in the future. Tickets four for one dollar

S. A. HOBBS

PRIVATE SALE
Of household effects for next three weeks comprising:
Bedroom Suite, Cookstove, Kitchen Cabinet, Parlor Furniture, etc. 1

G. A. McCullough
Cor Third Ave and 8th St., Bassano

Jack Torgan
"The Tailor"

Bees to announce that he is now ready for business.
First class Pressing & Cleaning

Second Ave. - Bassano

Maple Leaf Cafe

Lunches get up at 10:30
We take particular pains in selecting our menu
Open all night

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CARPENTERS AND BUILDERS ATTENTION!

It will be to YOUR ADVANTAGE to have
Harry Ford
Atlas Lumber Co.
figure on your new building

A Carload of High Class Finish Will Arrive in April
Satisfaction Guaranteed

Bassano Shoe Hospital
(Johnson Block)

Second Avenue West
Now Open All Repairs Guaranteed

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To add incentive and impetus to the contest for the handsome Upton Piano, being given away by J. H. Stiles, we beg to announce that we have made provision for the issuing of a series of Due Bills, which carry votes when bought and votes when traded.

We have printed a neat certificate, of fifty cent denomination, which when purchased will give the contestant five hundred votes.

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OPPOSITE DEPOT
OPEN DAY AND NIGHT

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Now is the time to start your fight against the gophers, for when they first arrive they are hungry and will readily eat any poisoned food you give them.

Cut busy before they multiply, for a dollar spent now for poison will as fast as ten dollars spent in two months time from now.

We Can Supply You
Mickelson's Kill-Em-Quick
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Gophercide
Gophergo
Strychnine
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